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For: SPLICE VARIANTS OF ONCOGENES

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Election of Species/Restriction Requirement dated October 1, 2003, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Restriction to one of the inventions of Groups I-VI is required by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. 121. The requirement for restriction is respectfully traversed. Reconsideration and withdrawal thereof are requested.

Applicants elect the invention of Group II, claims 3, 4, 13 (in part), 14, 15, 17 and 18, drawn to an amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO: 1-36 or 37-72, and a composition comprising the sequence.

Applicants traverse the requirement for restriction between Group II and Group VI. The invention of Group VI, claims 32-37, is drawn to the detection of amino acid sequences of claim 3.